

Appl. No. 09/903,680  
Response dated January 26, 2004  
Reply to Office Action of January 7, 2004

**REMARKS**


Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

Applicants re-submit the version of their list of claims as presented December 8, 2003 in which claim 17 is shown as 'currently amended.'

Applicants acknowledge the Examiner's earlier indication that all claims may be considered upon rejoinder. Applicants respectfully solicit rejoinder followed by allowability.

Respectfully submitted,

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